



Meeting Date: 25 March, 2010

In Attendance:

Linda White

Crystal Walton

Jean Rodgers

Melissa Hemingway

Aaron Brand

Melody Jones

Kathy Gray

Jeremy Miller

Becky Schmiesing

Chris Woodard

Cathy Holme

Kris Hoover

Jane Bush

Teresa Lewis

Melody opened meeting at 7 p.m.

Melody began by asking if everyone had reviewed last meeting's minutes, and if there were any changes.

Revised spelling of Melissa Hemingway and Jean Rodgers names. Revised misspelling of Martha Doan gardens.

Minutes were approved as noted.

Broke into sub-committee

Heritage Sub-committee Discussion:



Jane stopped and talked with Jim Peyton. During her visit, she saw some historic maps that can be copied.

Jane looked at the cemetery and the stones that are lined up at the back of the Martha Doan Park. Jane is trying to write down all the names on the headstones.

Jane stated that the Westfield Washington Historical Society is having an event sometime in May and could be a good time to talk with some of the older members of the Women's Club. At the event, there will be an impersonator of James Whitcomb Riley. Jane will research the date and email it to everyone.

The group would like to set a time to go to the Westfield library to research historic Westfield residents.

Jeremy will look into what historic town layouts the recorder's office in Noblesville has.

At 8:05 pm the committees reconvened.

Floral Display Sub-committee Discussion:

Discussion started with volunteering for community Plant Day. We still need 9 Bed-Masters. Ron Rothrock volunteered. If we do not get more we will have each Bed-master take two gardens. Ron also asked about labeling the plants in the beds and displaying a labeled plot plan. Melody stated there was no place to display these plans (16 separate gardens). There is a covered bulletin board that's purpose is for posting shelter reservations. With the limited space we may be able to post one garden layout. Since all the gardens will be using the same plants that would serve the same purpose. Also we have blank stakes that can be used in the gardens or we can use the labels that come in the plants. Aaron Brand requested help with loading and unloading the plants on May 1st. He could use one volunteer to meet him at Quaker at 8AM to unload the first truck and then go with him to reload/unload two more times.

Aaron Brand stated the hanging baskets have been planted (3 weeks later than he planned). The baskets include white and red petunias and yellow bidens. The baskets for the bridge will be planted soon.

Aaron is checking on order of extra clips for the baskets.

Discussed the need for more judges this year: Melody asked the committee to think about people we can ask. The judges will need a good knowledge of plants and landscape design.

At the next meeting on the April 22nd Melody will have the judging sheets available for review. Last year's judges said they would be interested in participating again this year. They are: Jim



Gipinski, Nancy Hittle and Suzanne Stevens. Also, Bill Rice and Pattie Clifford may be available.

Jean Rodgers talked about the scrapbook. She will contact Tami Horkay and pick up the book before the next meeting.

The committee determined that Saturday May 8th will be the day to plant the downtown planters for the WIB display. Aaron will deliver the flowers to Hadley Park at 9AM. Everyone that can join us should plan to be there at 9. It should only take about an hour. Several people expressed that they would like to take the pansy's we remove.

Recap of Community Plant Day. Volunteers:

HOSTS Linda White (10-2) Teresa Lewis (12:30-2)

SIGN-IN Jean Rogers (11-2) Kathy Gray (10-2) Cathy Holme (12:30-2)

Delivery – Aaron Brand

Head Project Masters - Aaron Brand and Jeremy Miller

BED-MASTERS (NEED 16)

Ron Rothrock; Lynnda Petersen; Melody Jones; Kris & Steve Hoover; Melissa Hemingway; Jane Bush; Susan Boyer

The committee meeting ended and we rejoined the other two committees.

Community and Tidiness Sub-committee Discussion:

Began sub-committee meeting with a brief overview of what had been done so far.

Reviewed Plant a Row informational brochure and registration form.

Melissa: Ameriana Bank (corner of SR32 and Carey Rd.) has agreed to be the drop-off point for all produce and will deliver daily to Third Phase. Ameriana will be providing reusable bags for all participants of the Plant a Row. When participants drop off produce they can pick one up to use for the next trip.

Agreed that promotion to the initiative was the key. Broke up taking out the flyers per person. Kathy will get onto websites and out to WeCan and Chamber of Commerce. Crystal will take to Home owners associations and businesses. Chris will take to grocery stores, retail chains, and pharmacies etc. to post on bulletin boards.



Melissa: agreed to print out 200 additional PAR informational brochures to be passed out. We will get them from her a.s.a.p.

Melissa and Kathy had met with Ruth at Third Phase and they were very excited about the Plant a Row initiative. Discussed with them harvesting apples and Third Phase can accept them and make into applesauce, etc. as long as Centennial agrees to allow PAR to harvest them. Kathy will put together a proposal for Centennial board to review to allow citizens to harvest these apples at harvest time with no liability to them.

Discussed harvesting apples at Centennial. Perhaps boy-scout troop, Melody had suggested probationary workers.

Meeting concluded.

Rejoined all committees.

Reviewed Community and Tidiness ideas with the rest of the committee members in attendance. Asked if any Westfield in Bloom committee members wanted to be a part of the Plant a Row Q&A on April 29, 2010 from 7 until 8:30 pm. Anyone wanting to speak or help answer questions, let Kathy know.

Reviewed Floral Display ideas with the rest of committee members in attendance.

Reviewed Heritage ideas with the rest of committee members in attendance.

Melody closed the meeting.

Next meeting April 22, 2010. City Service Building, Main Media Room.

Adjourned at: 8:30 pm

Minutes submitted for approval by: Kathy Gray April 22, 2010.